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Mr. Garlock. I think it was testified here earlier part of the problem was that there was too much of a letdown in the postwar period. We get a little bit behind that way.

This matter of being ahead or behind depends on how fast the other fellow is running and our finding is that he apparently is going much faster than we thought he was going to go.

Senator ELLENDER. Do you charge that to faulty intelligence, or what?

INADEQUATE INTELLIGENCE

Mr. Garlock. I would say inadequate intelligence. It is fairly obvious that the development was faster than we anticipated and he got quite a ways down the line before we apparently knew about it.

(Discussion off the record.)

Senator Chavez. Are there any further questions?-Senator Thye. I have none, Mr. Chairman, other than this one question, that we seem to have awakened to the fact that the Russians have made these great gains and that is the disturbing factor to me. No one apparently had noted and understood that Russia was making the gains until in the past 8 months we are confronted with the fact that it has accomplished, both in air development and in the educational field, that which threatens our own future accomplishments in our endeavors to keep pace with them.

That is the disturbing factor to me, that our intelligence could have

been that bad.

Can you answer that question?

General Callahan. The only comment I can make, Senator Thye, is that our record with your committee is that we came back last June and requested additional funds to step up our aircraft procurement as a result of information that we had obtained at that time, which indicated, particularly in this heavy-bomber area, that they were moving faster than we had anticipated.

I am not competent to evaluate the intelligence across the board.

Senator THYE. That is all, Mr. Chairman.

Senator Chavez. We will adjourn now until 10 o'clock tomorrow

morning.

(Thereupon, at 12 noon, Thursday, June 7, 1956, the subcommittee was recessed, to reconvene at 10 a.m., Friday, June 8, 1956.)